

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. **(Currently Amended)** A part for casting, into which a molten metal is poured, comprising base paper for paper tubing and containing an organic fiber, a carbon fiber for reducing thermal shrinkage, and a binder, the base paper being spiral-wound into a tube such that the base paper is wound with an overlap between adjacent turns [[or]] and a plurality of base papers are wound one on top of another, the total content of carbon fiber being 7 to 80 parts by weight, and the total weight of the organic fiber, the carbon fiber, and the binder being taken as 100 parts weight.

2. **(Canceled)**

3. **(Previously Presented)** The part for casting according to claim 1, comprising 10 to 70 parts by weight of the organic fiber, 7 to 80 parts by weight of the carbon fiber, and 10 to 85 parts by weight of the binder, the total weight of the organic fiber, the carbon fiber, and the binder being taken as 100 parts by weight.

4. **(Original)** The part for casting according to claim 1, wherein the binder comprises at least two binders having different melting points.

5. **(Original)** The part for casting according to claim 1, wherein the binder consists of an organic binder and/or an inorganic binder.

6. **(Original)** The part for casting according to claim 5, wherein the inorganic binder is a compound mainly comprising SiO_2 .

7. **(Original)** The part for casting according to claim 1, wherein the organic fiber is paper fiber.

8. **(Original)** A method for casting production which uses the part for casting according to claim 1, the part for casting being disposed in casting sand.

9. **(Currently Amended)** A process of producing a part for casting, which is for producing the part for casting according to claim 1, comprising the steps of making base paper for paper tubing by papermaking using a slurry containing at least the organic fiber and the carbon fiber, converting the base paper into a spiral-wound paper tube by winding the base paper in a helix pattern such that the base paper is wound with an overlap between adjacent turns [[or]] and a plurality of base papers are wound one on top of another, and incorporating the binder into the paper tube.

10. **(Original)** The process of producing a part for casting according to claim 9, wherein the binder is an organic binder, and the step of incorporating the binder into the paper tube is impregnation.

11. **(Original)** The process of producing a part for casting according to claim 10, wherein the slurry further contains the inorganic binder.